

Wabash Plain Dealer



MSD plans proposed new high school referendum informational meeting

MSD has scheduled an informational meeting on the referendum at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8 at Northfield Jr./Sr. High School. For more information, call 260-563-8050 or visit msdwc.org/referendum or msdwc.org/connect.

City's fall clean-up underway

This year's fall clean-up dates will last through Saturday, Oct. 8. All items should be curbside by 6 a.m. on the day of residents' weekly trash route. Piles are to be no larger than 4 feet by 8 feet. A dumpster will be located from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday behind the Wabash County Solid Waste Management District (WCSWMD), 1101 Manchester Ave., for residents not wanting to place items on the curbside. Proof of city residence will be required. The following items will not be accepted for curbside disposal by the Wabash Street Department: Batteries, paint, petroleum products, chemical, televisions, computers, and other electronic devices, tires, appliances with freon, loose shingles, drywall and plaster. All items these items except loose shingles, drywall, and plaster should be dropped off at the WCSWMD without a fee. The district does not accept trash. Trash is to be taken directly to the dumpster located behind the district operated by the Wabash Street Department. The Wabash Street Department will try to stay on schedule, due to weather or heavy volume they may run behind. If this happens, please be patient and your items will be picked up. This fall clean-up is not the WCSWMD's "Tox-A-Way Day," which will be announced at a later time.

Manchester University announces the fall Value, Ideas and the Arts series

Manchester University offers more than a dozen programs in its Value, Ideas the Arts (VIA) series for Fall 2022. Presentations are at 11 a.m. Mondays in Cordier Auditorium on the North Manchester campus unless otherwise noted. Oct. 10, a panel of Manchester seniors

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State officials urge precautions against mosquitoes due to rare virus

Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) virus activity detected in multiple northern Indiana counties

By **ROB BURGESS**
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

On Thursday, Oct. 6, the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) and animal health officials urged northern Indiana residents to protect themselves from mosquito bites and to monitor their horses for illness in response to the detection of Eastern

equine encephalitis (EEE) virus activity in multiple northern Indiana counties.

"EEE (triple E) virus is a serious threat to both horses and people in northern Indiana," said Indiana State Board of Animal Health (ISBAH) state veterinarian Dr. Bret Marsh, DVM. "While this risk is currently decreasing due to cooler weather, it will persist

until the first hard freeze of the year."

As of Tuesday, Oct. 4, two horses in LaGrange County and one horse in Kosciusko County have tested positive for EEE virus in 2022.

No human EEE virus disease cases or infected mosquitoes have been reported in Indiana so far this year.

However, in October 2019, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) confirmed to Indiana health officials that a Hoosier in

Elkhart County contracted EEE and died as a result of the infection. This was the first human case in Indiana since 1998 and only the fourth reported since 1964. The CDC says approximately 5 to 10 human cases of EEE are reported nationwide each year, typically from late spring through early fall. Nearly one-third of human cases are fatal. EEE was found in more than a dozen horses and one mosquito to sample in northern Indiana in 2019.

Because suitable habitat for the vector mosquitoes is found throughout the area, humans and horses in all northern Indiana counties are potentially at risk.

While the risk of EEE virus infection begins to decrease when evening and overnight temperatures drop to 60 degrees, the risk is not eliminated until the first overnight hard freeze of 32 degrees.

State officials recommend

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'Peter and the Wolf' launches Manchester Symphony Orchestra season



Provided photos

Debra Lynn has conducted at Carnegie Hall twice before, in 2001 and 2007.

Legends concert offers musical storytelling, from Mother Goose to King Arthur

By **ANNE GREGORY**

The Manchester Symphony Orchestra opens its 84th season on Sunday, Oct. 9 featuring "Peter and the Wolf" by Sergei Prokofiev.

"This is the quintessential work classical music buffs think of when searching their memory banks for symphonic storytelling works. It's like a bedtime story with a soundtrack,"

said Conductor Debra Lynn. "The narrator describes the action in words, and the orchestra draws aural illustrations of the action with character-to-instrument associations like a bird played

by the flute, a cat played by the clarinet and the wolf played by the French horns," she said. "Prokofiev's brilliant composition

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Wabash County Democratic Party to hold town hall

Event set for 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11 at NMPL

By **ROB BURGESS**
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The Wabash County Democratic Party has planned a local candidate town hall for next week, said chairman Chad Harris.

The event is set for 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11 in the Blocher Room of the North Manchester Public Library (NMPL), 405 N. Market St., North Manchester.

"I encourage voters to come out and meet our Democratic candidates, questions are encouraged," said Harris. "We are weeks away from a very important



Provided photo

Speakers at the event will include, from left to right, Wabash County Democratic Party chairman Chad Harris, State Senate District 17 candidate Joe Swisher, Dee Moore, Indiana House District 22 candidate Dee Moore, Indiana House District 50 candidate Tammy Ingalls, Wabash County Board of Commissioners candidate Travis Hendricks and Wabash County Council District 4 candidate John Hargenrader. Not pictured are Chester Township Trustee candidate Miriah Tobias and Pleasant Township Trustee candidate Becky Warmuth.

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WCPL Board votes to forgive many outstanding overdue fines

The policy will affect over 2,300 cards, many of which have been expired for years

By **ROB BURGESS**
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The Wabash Carnegie Public Library (WCPL) Board of Trustees recently voted to forgive many outstanding overdue fines accrued on current and former library cards, effective immediately, said community outreach coordinator Rachel Castle.

Castle said the process to eliminate these charges has begun and is expected to be complete within a few weeks.

The fine forgiveness policy will affect over 2,300 cards in the WCPL system, many

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Alex Downard picked to lead Imagine One 85 initiative

Plan is finalized and has been adopted by all governing bodies in Wabash County

By **ROB BURGESS**
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

On Monday, Oct. 3, Alex Downard of Downard Development Strategies (DDS) was officially selected to lead the



DOWNARD

Imagine One 85 initiative. Grow Wabash County (GWC), on behalf of the Imagine One 85 Steering Committee, announced Downard would "organize and execute various community initiatives that align with the Imagine One 85 countywide

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Wabash City Hall to close for Columbus Day, October 10

Wabash City Hall and all non-essential Departments of the city of Wabash will be closed all day Monday, Oct. 10 for Columbus Day, according to mayor’s assistant Bev Vanderpool. All city offices will reopen at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11. The Wabash City Council Meeting scheduled for Monday, Oct. 10, has been rescheduled for 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, in the Wabash City Council Chamber.

Sing Me Home Fall Festival planned for Saturday in North Manchester

STAFF REPORT

Sing Me Home will welcome regional musicians and artists for its free outdoor Fall Festival from 4 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8 to Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester, according to a press release.

The event will feature educational workshops, intergenerational activities and games, a local artisans marketplace, original music, a community sing-along, local food trucks and more.

Ann Arbor, Michigan-based musician and North Manchester native, Chris Good, is Sing Me Home’s founder and co-coordinator.

“We are thrilled with how the programming for this inaugural Fall Festival has come together,” said Good. “Part of Sing Me Home’s mission is to create a cultural celebration that serves to restore and inspire the heart, mind, and soul. I have no doubt that the musicians, artists, educators and community members collaborating on this event will create an engaging and dynamic experience for the community that accomplishes just that.”

Four workshops will be offered including “Embodied Singing” with award-winning singer-songwriter, Sadie Gustafson-Zook; “Poetic Storytelling” with local pastor and poet, Audri Svay; “Make your own Lagerphone” with local musician, Brian Kruschwitz; and an interactive bilingual family concert/workshop with Fort Wayne-based, Musical Conexion.

Manchester Church of the Brethren associate pastor of youth and congregational life Seth Hendricks serves as Sing Me Home’s co-coordinator.

“We want to create spaces where a gathered community can experience a deep, spiritual sense of home,” said Hendricks. “Sometimes just being in a specific physical place can do that or in the company of certain people. Music, art and poetry can do that as well. Neighbors, friends, family, whether to reconnect or meet for the first time, I am excited to share in this together.”

Good said the musical portion of the Fall Festival will feature some homegrown local talent including Derek Self and Brian Kruschwitz and LuAnne Harley as well as some well-respected regional acts such as Sadie Gustafson-Zook and KelsiCote.

Good and Hendricks’ band Friends with the Weather will also be featured throughout the evening’s concert and community sing-along.

Good said Sing Me Home is a collaboration between Manchester Church of the Brethren and Friends with the Weather.

“This is Sing Me Home’s first year of in-person programming after initially launching with an online festival in Spring 2020 after plans for the first festival in October 2020 were drastically adapted as the COVID-19 pandemic took hold,” said Good. “The 2022 schedule has featured a Spring concert with nationally touring singer-songwriter, Carrie Newcomer, and the upcoming Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct. 8 and Winter Benefit concert on Saturday, Dec. 3.”

For more information, visit <https://singmehome.org/fall-festival>.

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 Saturday Mostly Sunny 58 / 34	 Sunday Sunny 65 / 43	 Monday Mostly Sunny 71 / 46	 Tuesday Partly Cloudy 75 / 53	 Wednesday Mostly Cloudy 74 / 52
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Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 7:14 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 7:47 a.m.

 Full 10/9	 Last 10/17	 New 10/25	 First 11/1
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Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 58°, humidity of 49%. West wind 2 to 7 mph. Expect clear skies tonight with an overnight low of 34°. Southwest wind 2 to 7 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 33°. Sunday, skies will be sunny with a high of 65°, humidity of 37%.

Delivered not from the fire, but in it

Have you ever gotten into trouble for taking a stand on your principles? At one job, I tried to have a discussion with a vice president about the sexual orientation agenda the corporation was promoting.

They were asking, “When does a request become a demand?” for everyone in management to become champions for a certain point of view. I pointed out how that was actually counter to diversity, mandating that everyone have the same belief. I was told: “Anyone who disagrees doesn’t belong here.”

(The irony was completely lost on him.)

More and these days, people are coming under fire for their beliefs, sometimes literally.

On June 7, a crisis pregnancy center in Buffalo was firebombed because they only support the health of mothers and infants, whether in the womb or out, and would not perform abortions. In countries closed to Christianity across the world, people are threatened and imprisoned, churches burned, and their families’ lives and livelihoods were taken away because they refuse to worship what others demand. This has been going on for as long as humans have existed.

Daniel Chapter 3 gives a graphic example. The date is circa 600 B.C., and the king of Babylon erected a statue of gold ninety feet high demanding that, “Whoever does not fall down and worship will immediately be thrown into a blazing furnace.” (Daniel 3:6 NIV) Of the many peoples conquered by this empire and taken into captivity, there was a group of three Jewish refugees, so talented and skilled that they served in the court of the king. Because they knew the one true God, they refused to worship any other, nor especially a man-made object however awesome it appeared. They told the king: “We do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to save us from it, and he will rescue us from your hand, O king. But even if he does not, we want you to know, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.” (Daniel 3:16-18 NIV)

Infuriated, the king orders the furnace to be heated seven times hotter and commands the strongest soldiers to tie up the three objectors and throw them into the furnace. No one had any clue what was about to happen next. The king jumps to his feet in amazement: “He said, ‘Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods’”; (Daniel 3:25 NIV)

The king shouts into the furnace, “servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!” (Daniel 3:26)

At this point, the three walk out completely unscathed, with not even a whiff of smoke on them.

There’s a fascinating comparison here. Under the shiny image of man-made construction – think: a corporation, ideology, political party or technology – the image of its all-too-human maker is transformed by hatred at those who refuse to bend to his will, while the devout God-followers are unswerving at the fire that they face. The king remarks about them: “They trusted in him [God] and defied the king’s command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God.” (Daniel 3:28 NIV) Then there’s the fourth figure, “like a son of the gods,” a living presence of the divine, whose image shines in contrast against all the others, the real deal in comparison to misguided attempts either to create one (in the case of the statue) or to be that image falsely (in the case of the king).


Yet there is an even more important lesson for those who follow the one true God. When you face the fire of human hatred for your beliefs, Almighty God will be with you in it. His people are delivered not from the fire, but in it. The Apostle Paul had to warn his friend Timothy: “Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.” (2 Timothy 3:12 ESV)

When we walk with Jesus, things are going to heat up emotionally, physically and for certain spiritually. You will go face-to-face with couples poised and ready to kill each other, and with family members of people who have died. You will step out in places where people proclaim love and equality, but they will hate you if you disagree with them and particularly if you stand for Jesus. Walking with the Lord means you go toe-to-toe with the desperate and distraught and with demons, whether that’s visiting people in prison, those caught in sex trafficking, drug addiction or in disaster relief. However, the important thing is not the inevitability of facing the fire, but that Jesus promises to be with you in it. From the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to Moses and Joshua fighting for their land and their lives, to the psalms of King David, to the prophets, one promise rings throughout, when God says “I will be with you.”

Can I leave you with two passages that may help you when you feel the fire coming against you? God spoke through the prophet Isaiah: “When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze ... Do not be afraid, for I am with you.” (Isaiah 43:2,5 NIV)

The second passage is from Jesus, Immanuel – whose Name means God With Us, the one that many think was the fourth person seen in the blazing furnace, the one who, when we give our lives to Him, comes to dwell in us for the rest of our days, and who will be with us regardless of what we will go through. Jesus said: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” (Matthew 28:18-20 NIV)

Rev. Todd Render is pastor of the Alliance Church in Wabash, and a retired medical device engineer. He and his wife, Lori, relocated from Fort Wayne in 2016 and have three grown children and one granddaughter. Todd has an MS in mechanical engineering from Purdue University and an MA in ministry from Grace Theological Seminary. If you have a comment or question, reach out to us at wabashalliancechurch@gmail.com.



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VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON CHURCH SERVICES

Asbury Country Church

On Sunday, Oct. 9 at Asbury Country Church, 1998 E. 250 South, the Sunday school will be at 10 a.m. and the worship service will be at 10:40 a.m. The worship and music leader will be Amy Bullick and the piano will be by Roger Marine. The Morning Message will be, “Hearing, Mercy and Wholeness,” by Pastor Mike Bullick.

College Corner Brethren Church

The worship service starts at 10:15 a.m. Sundays at College Corner Brethren Church, 8996 S. 500 West. Pastor Solomon David’s sermons are recorded and available on its YouTube channel, which may be found by searching College Corner Brethren Church, and also shared on the College Corner Brethren Church Facebook page. For more information, call 260-563-3910 or email ccbbc@collegecorner.church.

Common Ground Prayer House

The Common Ground Prayer House will be open to the public from 8 to 10 a.m. Mondays, except holidays, at 78 W. Hill St. For more information, call Jennifer Mahan at 260-571-8063, Shirley Neale at 260-591-0047 or Debbie Sweet at 260-571-6072.

Dora Christian Church

On Sunday, Oct. 9, at Dora Christian Church, 2325 S. Salamonie Dam Road, Lagro, the minister will be Mark Wisniewski; the song leader will be Olman Sanchez; the pianist, Sherry Brock; and organist, Kristy Good. We have two Sunday morning services at

8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., with Sunday school classes for all ages from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. The message for both services will be, “Which Pew Does Satan Sit In?” The Communion Table will be served by John Troyer and Bill Miller. There will be a Children’s Church for the 10:30 a.m. service to be led by Holli Good and Brooke Swope.

LaFontaine Christian Church

The LaFontaine Christian Church pre-records the sermon which is then available for all to view at www.lafontainechristian.com under the sermons tab, stated Pastor Brad Wright.

LaFontaine United Methodist Church

Pastor Susan Shambaugh says that her LaFontaine United Methodist Church is showing replay videos on their Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/LaFontaine-United-Methodist-Church. In-person services start at 9:30 a.m. Sundays.

Lincolnvile United Methodist Church

The worship times for Lincolnvile United Methodist Church, 5848 E. 500 South, are 9 a.m. Sunday for all ages. For the worship service at 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, we are having outdoor services, with the Barrel Scrapers leading worship with music. A carry-in dinner follows the worship. Bring a lawn chair and come worship with us. For more information, email pastorjohn1954@gmail.com or call 260-563-1406.

Living Faith Lutheran Church

Welcome to our in-person worship service at 10:10 a.m. Sundays at Living Faith Lutheran Church, 242 S. Huntington St. Bible study and Sunday school are at 9 a.m. for all ages. The sanctuary is arranged for social distancing. Masks are encouraged and available. Online services are at 10:10 a.m., with pre-service music at 10 a.m. For virtual services and more information, visit www.livingfaithwabash.org.

Manchester Church of the Brethren

Pastor Kurt Borgmann from the Manchester Church of the Brethren stated they will hold a live-stream service at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday by visiting www.manchestercob.net. Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on the black button that says, “Manchester CoB YouTube Channel.” After the service is finished, one may access a video copy of the live stream in the same way. Another way to access the live stream or posted video: go to YouTube, search “Manchester Church of the Brethren,” and click on the circle profile.

North Manchester Missionary Church

The North Manchester Missionary Church is streaming live on its Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sunday. The video is then placed on their webpage, which can be viewed by visiting NMMC1.com.

Olive Branch Church of God

The Olive Branch Church

of God live-streams Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Find it through Facebook, by searching Olive Branch Church, or by visiting www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch or through the church website www.olivebranch.church. Click “Live Streaming” at the top, then click the series icon (lion head).

Richvalley United Methodist Church

Worship at Richvalley United Methodist Church begins at 9:30 a.m. Sundays at 290 N. Jefferson St. Sunday school begins at 10:45 a.m. For more information, call 260-563-1033 or email rvumc@hotmail.com.

Southside Free Will Baptist

Streaming on their Facebook page.

St. Patrick’s Church

The historic St. Patrick’s Church, 950 Main St., Lagro, will hold mass days on Nov. 6 and Dec. 4. All masses begin at 11 a.m. The Lagro 950 Speakeasy Bistro opens at 11 a.m. for an after-mass lunch at 950 Washington St., Lagro.

Sweetwater Assembly of God

Streaming services online using the normal service schedule.

Urbana Yoke Parish

Rev. Larry Wade of the Urbana Yoke Parish stated that his congregation posts Sunday services to www.urbanayokeparish.com. Go to the menu line at the top of the page and select “Worship

Videos.” The most recent one will appear first. Sunday services are posted by noon every Tuesday.

Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Welcome to Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 W. Hill St. In-person worship is at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary or via live stream for the church at home on the Wabash Christian YouTube Channel. Access is also available on our Facebook page and website wabashchristian.org. Stephen Eberhard is the Minister.

Wabash Church of the Brethren

At Wabash Church of the Brethren, 645 Bond St., services will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in person. Masks are recommended. There is no children’s church or Sunday school at this time. You may reach Pastor Doug Veal at the church office, 260-563-5291, on his cell phone at 260-225-3014, or by email at pastordoug@wabashcob.org.

Wabash Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Kirk Johnson, of the Wabash Church of the Nazarene, stated their service is available on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Find it by going to YouTube and searching for “Wabash Nazarene” or searching Facebook for the Wabash Church of the Nazarene. Another option is to visit www.wabashnaz.com, look for the home page, and find “Latest Sermon.”

Walk by Faith Community Church

At the Walk by Faith Community Church in Roann, Sunday school begins at 9 a.m. and the worship and children’s worship services begin at 10 a.m. The Walk by Faith Youth ministry meets at 5 p.m. every Sunday. “All are welcomed and we would love for you to join us,” said Pastor Judy Tyner. For more information, visit www.walkbyfaithcommunitychurch.com.

Wabash First Church of God

At 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 9, during the worship service at Wabash First Church of God, 525 N. Miami St. Pastor Robb Rensberger will speak on “The Sin of Sexual Immorality.” The sermon can also be seen on YouTube under Wabash 1st Church and heard at 11 a.m. Sunday on 105.9 FM. Sunday servants are Todd Eltzroth, chairperson; Sherry Whitt, worship; Judy Hannah and Sherlyn Rensberger, special music; Nancy Kolb, organ; and Rose Sands, piano.

Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash

Pastor Jerry Gauthier says that the Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash is streaming through their Facebook page at www.facebook/zionwabash at 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

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First Financial Bank to launch food drive in North Manchester

Nonperishable food items may be dropped off from Tuesday, Oct. 11 through Friday, Oct. 21

STAFF REPORT

First Financial Bank will join the global call to action for World Food Day 2022 by launching a local food drive at its financial center at 106 N. Market St., North Manchester, according to a press release. Nonperishable food items may be dropped off at all First Financial locations in the region during normal business hours from

Tuesday, Oct. 11 through Friday, Oct. 21. “Food insecurity is an issue for people worldwide, and the problem became more severe because of the pandemic,” said First Financial Bank chief corporate responsibility officer Roddell McCullough. “First Financial and our associates are eager to begin this local food drive and help our neighbors who do not have enough to eat.” After the food drive

concludes on Friday, Oct. 21, all food will be delivered to local organizations selected by associates at each financial center. World Food Day, on Sunday, Oct. 16, highlights the collective work around the world to promote awareness and action for those who suffer from hunger. Coordinated by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, “the day also calls attention to the need to ensure healthy diets for everyone, with no one left behind.” All First Financial loca-

tions throughout its four-state footprint of Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and Illinois will participate. An interactive list of financial centers is available at bankatfirst.com. The food drive is First Financial’s second major community-focused initiative in 2022. To celebrate National Financial Literacy Month in April, First Financial Bank, its associates and clients collected more than 20,000 books to be donated to local schools, libraries, churches and other community-focused organizations.

USPS: No regular mail delivery, all post offices closed on Monday

In observance of the Columbus Day holiday, Monday, Oct. 10, post offices throughout the Indiana District will be closed for retail transactions, according to a press release. There will be no mail delivery, caller service, or Post Office Box service. All services will resume on

Tuesday, Oct. 11. Post Offices will be open regularly scheduled hours on Saturday, Oct. 8. Commercial customers are asked to check with their Bulk Mail Acceptance Unit for hours of operation. For more information, call 800-ASK-USPS or visit www.usps.com.

Wabash County Board of Health to hold quarterly meeting

The Wabash County Board of Health will hold its quarterly meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11 at the Wabash County Courthouse EMA Room, 1 W. Hill St., ac-

cording to Wabash County Health Department office manager and deputy registrar Kathy Lower. For more information, call 260-563-0661, ext. 1248.

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of which have been expired for years. “Under our circulation policy, patrons cannot check materials out of the collection if their fines are over \$12, which causes a real obstacle for many in our community. We hope this decision by our board will open doors for many of our previous patrons to return to the library once again,” said Castle. “Cards that have been expired for over a year will be cleared from the library’s records once the fines have been removed, essentially creating a clean slate for most of those who have found accrued fines prohibitive until now.” In September 2020, the WCPL Board voted to abolish overdue fines on most library materials, in-

cluding all print and audio items in the library’s physical collection. The new fine forgiveness policy will waive all fines that existed on any cards before that decision. On Friday, July 22, North Manchester Public Library (NMPL) adult department manager and marketing coordinator Jeanna Hann said they were “thrilled” to announce that they would cease charging and collecting late fees for overdue DVDs and WiFi hotspots. Hann said the change was partially inspired by the American Library Association’s (ALA) “Resolution on Monetary Library Fines As A Form of Social Inequity” from January 2019. Hann said those with existing late fines on their account will have their accounts cleared. Hann said they weren’t concerned about this change

causing items to simply not be returned at all. “Libraries can be a gateway to the world for people of all ages, and it is one that we believe should be accessible with as few barriers as possible. WCPL is committed to providing information to as many members of the Wabash community as possible and eliminating fines offers a fresh start for some to rediscover what the library has to offer,” said WCPL circulation manager Cody Abbott. Castle said under the new WCPL policy, patrons are still encouraged to return their materials on time. “One of the major concerns we heard from the community is that there would no longer be a reason to return materials on time. That is definitely not the case with this new policy,” said Abbott. Castle said WCPL patrons

will be blocked from checking out items until any long overdue materials have been resolved. Once an item is one month overdue, it will be the patron’s responsibility to pay a replacement fee for the item. Other changes to the policy include adding two renewals to DVDs and Blu-ray movies. These items can also be reserved, contrary to the previous policies. “The staff at WCPL is eager to serve new, returning, and existing patrons. We are thankful to have a Board who understands the importance of what we offer and is willing to help us reach as many people in our community as possible,” said Castle. For more information, visit www.wabash.lib.in.us. Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com.

RARE VIRUS

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the following preventive measures for those at risk: ■ Avoid being outdoors when mosquitoes are active (especially late afternoon, dusk to dawn, and early morning) ■ Use an EPA-registered insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or 2-undecanone on clothes and exposed skin ■ Cover exposed skin by wearing a hat, long sleeves and long pants in places where mosquitoes are especially active, such as wooded areas ■ Install or repair screens on windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out of your home ■ Vaccinate horses for EEE annually according to guidelines from the American Association of Equine Practitioners You can eliminate mosquito breeding sites from your property by doing the following: ■ Discard old tires, tin cans, ceramic pots or other containers that can hold water ■ Repair failed septic systems ■ Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers left outdoors ■ Keep grass cut short and shrubbery trimmed ■ Clean clogged roof gutters, particularly if leaves tend to plug up the drains

■ Frequently replace the water in pet bowls ■ Flush ornamental fountains and birdbaths periodically ■ Aerate ornamental pools, or stock them with predatory fish While rare, EEE virus can cause serious illness and has a fatality rate of around 33 percent or higher. Many people who recover may still experience long-term complications. Symptoms of EEE virus disease include chills, fever, body aches and joint pain. Some people develop a more severe form of the disease affecting the nervous system and causing encephalitis (inflammation of the brain). People who are younger than 15 years and older than 50 years are at the greatest risk of severe disease if infected with EEE virus. People who think they may have EEE virus should contact their health-care provider. EEE in horses is often called sleeping sickness because infected animals become comatose. Other clinical signs may include listlessness, high fever, head pressing and seizures. Horses that develop EEE rarely survive. Infected mosquitoes carry the virus; it does not spread from horse to horse or horse to human. Contact a veterinarian if any of these signs are noticed. Testing is available for EEE. For more information, visit https://gis.in.gov/apps/ISDH/Arbo/ or https://www.in.gov/isdh/28258.htm.

TOWN HALL

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election, and it is very important that voters are educated as much as possible before they vote.” Harris said speakers at the event will include State Senate District 17 candidate Joe Swisher, Dee Moore, Indiana House District 22 candidate Dee Moore, Indiana House District 50 candidate Tammy Ingalls, Wabash County Board of Commissioners candidate Travis Hendricks, Wabash County Council District 4

candidate John Hargenrader, Chester Township Trustee candidate Miriah Tobias and Pleasant Township Trustee candidate Becky Warmuth. “The Democratic Party has an incredible slate of candidates, dedicated to the people they are running to represent. I strongly encourage all Democrats to vote this year,” said Harris. Indiana Secretary of State Holli Sullivan said Indiana’s voter registration deadline is Tuesday, Oct. 11. Registering to vote and checking voter status may

be done online by visiting http://IndianaVoters.com or by visiting your local county election administrator’s office. On Tuesday, Oct. 11, online registration needs to be completed before midnight and registering in person at your local county election administrator’s office needs to be completed before the end of the business day. In-person early voting begins on Wednesday, Oct. 12 and is open until Monday, Nov. 7. All registered Indiana voters are eligible to vote early in-person.

“Contact your county clerk’s office to find locations and hours for early voting,” said Sullivan. A valid photo ID is required to vote. “Registering to vote, finding a polling location and reviewing your ballot is simply a click away at IndianaVoters.com,” said Sullivan. “It’s easier than ever for Hoosiers to make their voices heard and take part in our elections process.” Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation – if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

1 Peter 2:2-3

Congress stock trades still not banned

Under the heading of "How is this not already illegal?" comes the latest effort in Congress to prohibit sitting lawmakers from trading stocks. In an era of rock-bottom public trust in the institutions of government, ending this inherently shady-looking scenario shouldn't garner a single "no" vote.

It's an old issue that has taken on added relevance since early 2020, when the U.S. began descending into a pandemic that most Americans didn't know would be the economic tsunami it became. But members of Congress had better information, getting closed-door briefings about the approaching public health catastrophe and the society-altering response that would be necessary.

Several sitting members dumped investments just before a stock market plunge that they were in a position to see coming while most other investors weren't. Newly unsealed FBI documents show that Sen. Richard Burr, R-N.C., for example, abruptly sold more than half of his and his wife's holdings

right before the soaring market suddenly collapsed under the impact of economic shutdowns. Then-Sen. Kelly Loeffler, R-Ga., meanwhile, suddenly bought stock – in a remote-meeting technology company that was about to become one of the few market winners of the pandemic.

People have gone to prison for circumstances that look this much like insider trading. But none of these pandemic profiteers did. Some are still in office. Ethics probes by their own colleagues were ultimately dropped. No wonder Congress's approval rating is under 20 percent these days. The only mystery, in fact, is how it is that almost one-fifth of Americans still give these shameless self-dealers the benefit of the doubt.

It's not that no one in Congress has proposed stock-trading bans. They've actually become a relatively popular idea, drawing support from such politically disparate voices as House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., and Sen. Josh Hawley, R-Mo. Congressional leaders in both parties say

they're in favor – because, really, who could reasonably oppose it?

And yet it keeps not happening. The latest effort is a public letter from a bipartisan group of House members pressing congressional leaders to embrace a set of reform "first principles." The letter pulls no punches, stating bluntly that the goal is to ultimately pass legislation "to end insider trading by Members of Congress." It would require members, their spouses and dependents under 18 to either divest their holdings or put them in blind trusts, standard mutual funds, U.S. Treasury bills or other forms that would prevent the holders from having direct control over the investments.

These now-familiar ideas are such common sense that to find a member of Congress today willing to openly oppose them would be difficult. But as long as congressional leaders offer platitudes toward reform without actually bringing it to the floor, Americans are justified in assuming they're still putting their portfolios above their public duty.

This editorial was first published in the St. Louis Post Dispatch.



To address the declining fortunes of the young, we need to go upstream

By STEPHANIE MCGENCEY

For 33 years, my organization has been sounding the alarm about the declining fortunes of young adults. The words of the 1988 Forgotten Half report are eerie today: "One of the cruelest myths of contemporary American life is the claim that our economy is healthy because unemployment is relatively low."

How did the Forgotten Half generation fare? A recent survey found that – among those who actually participate in retirement plans – only 23 percent of Gen-Xers feel a sense of progress saving for retirement.

For today's young people? The future is darker. In 1988, 61 percent of young adults (age 15-24) were employed at a given time. In 2019, that number was 51 percent.

Then the pandemic happened. The number of opportunity youth – young people disconnected from school and work – spiked to over 10 million last year. Fewer than half of young adults are now employed.

The growth in college attendance was one bright spot since 1988. In that year average tuition for a four-year institution was \$8,117 in today's dollars. In 2018, the comparable cost was \$28,123. The result of this 347 percent increase? An explosion of student loans.

During the pandemic, even progress on college access collapsed. One-quarter of high school graduates have postponed college plans.

Young adults today face more comprehensive, concentrated harm than the authors of the Forgotten Half report could have imagined. And they would have been shocked at the response to these dire problems.

Few federal funds have been directed toward helping young adults recover from the pandemic recession. The only big proposal that would have helped

young adults at scale – free community college – was the first big proposal dropped as the Build Back Better bill shrank.

In "Upstream: The Quest to Solve Problems Before They Happen," author Dan Heath defines going "upstream" as addressing issues before they worsen into crises. He describes an American tendency to throw costly patches at systemic problems, rather than addressing root causes.

The situation of young adults today illustrates two mental pitfalls that Heath identifies. First, we assume that challenges are inevitable. Second, we believe that no one institution is responsible for addressing all of them.

One of Heath's maxims is to begin by finding a point of leverage over a big problem. We have leverage: Surveys have shown time and again that opportunity youth want to work, and that they make some of the most satisfied entry-level employees. Businesses, especially at this time, need employees.

Heath explores the idea of reaching "functional zero" for homelessness among veterans: A slot in housing for each person now homeless, and enough staff and supports to prevent people from becoming homeless in the future. Rockford, Ill., has accomplished this feat by leaning on a "By Name List," a list of the actual people who need help.

We could challenge cities and towns to achieve functional zero for youth disconnection. To achieve functional zero for disconnection would require a team of representatives from the school district, local institutions of higher education and job training, and social services could go through the list of all young people, each week, making a plan for reconnection.

Des Moines, Iowa could be in the first cohort of cities. The local workforce agency is a respected convener, the city has

a top-tier community college and strong youth-serving organizations, the number of disconnected youth is only around 13,000, and there is the local political will to get this done.

Rural areas like Del Norte County, Calif., may also be ready for this work. Measure of America identified this vast county in the northwestern corner of California as a "post-pandemic priority county," where profound disconnection combined with extensive durations of remote schooling. However, the local Wild Rivers Community Foundation is partnering with the Aspen Institute's Opportunity Youth Forum, including by improving the data infrastructure needed to take an upstream approach.

If we can change the odds in a few communities, state and federal policymakers will take note. The 2020 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) and 2021 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) bills provide flexible funding: States and localities could tackle youth disconnection if they so wish.

American Youth Policy Forum (AYPF) is ready to partner with policymakers to surround this problem, but the field needs help. This begins with the realization among the public that the fates of young people are bound up with the fate of the nation.

This kind of change is possible. Look how, thanks to a sea change in our understanding of the importance of early childhood education, pre-kindergarten is on the verge of being nationwide.

The Forgotten Half stated plainly our task: "The future of America depends on our ability... to pave new pathways for the tremendous varieties of people who call America home. We have made but a start."

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LETTERS

A new policy plank for America in 2024

Future events hinted at Mr. Trump's stump rally on 9/3 could turn out to be a good deal worse than what happened on 9/11.

Former President Trump fleshed out one actual policy plank with a new program proposal, a potentially very bloody one. He wants to restore law and order (the plank) with a new program of "the death penalty to drug dealers." How will he do this? He prominently mentioned Chinese-style "quick trials." This approach nudges perilously close to lynchings and other forms of brutality since juries were not mentioned as part of the plan. One wonders if there are other groups he would like to tame this way.

Sure, there was no blood on the ground at Trump's Wilkes Barre "Save America Rally," but there was every indication there will be substantial amounts on the ground in the future.

Kimball Shinkoskey
Woods Cross, Utah

Future generations will see our current treatment of animals as deeply shameful

With a comparatively small investment, Sens. Todd Young and Mike Braun could help eradicate so much suffering. I'm asking them to support increased public funding for cultivated-meat research. For those who don't know, cultivated meat is grown from livestock cells, without slaughter. I have little doubt future generations will see our current treatment of animals as deeply shameful.

In the past decade, the private sector has made wonderful progress in developing this new technology. Unfortunately, cultivated meat remains too expensive to compete with its slaughtered counterpart. More federal money for cellular-agriculture development could help rectify this. Legislators interested in leaving behind a legacy of compassion for the least powerful among us should back the effort.

Jon Hochschartner
Granby, Connecticut

Learn more about the proposed referendum

As we prepare for the community's determination on whether to support the upcoming public school referendum for a new high school for the students in our MSD of Wabash County Schools, I wanted to send along this information that is based in facts, not in rhetoric.

First, the state of Indiana does not provide funding for its public schools to support capital projects. That decision rests with the local community and residents of our MSD of Wabash County Schools. Before seeking public support for the referendum, our locally-elected School Board made sure that the process would be transparent throughout. That's why we held public meetings, solicited the comments of residents and made sure that our Strategic Plan for our schools addressed a variety of options. Once done and public opinion was determined, our local School Board proposed that you and other residents of the community could decide the future of our community's schools by voting on the Nov. 8 public school referendum.

Second, some have asked about the possibility of making renovations to our existing buildings instead of building a new high school. While that seems reasonable, it is a "Band-Aid" approach to a serious long-term issue. We can continue to patch up needed infrastructure issues and kick the can down the road but that will not save much money, will result in delays to much-needed improvements and will not provide our students or our community with a new building that will provide outstanding educational facilities for this and future generations.

Third, waiting will mean substantial additional costs in the future. As construction costs continue to increase, we face the possibility of a new building and renovations costing millions of dollars more in the future. We have a responsibility to you, the residents of our school community to be financially accountable for all that we do. Renovating buildings will not save much in tax dollars and will result in spiraling maintenance costs in the future. It is far better to spend money moving forward than it is backward.

Fourth, building a new high school will include state-of-the-art facilities to support our community and the 2,275 students that we serve each day. Energy efficiencies, safety upgrades, classrooms that incorporate emerging educational technologies and expanded facilities to support extracurricular activities will benefit this and future generations in our community. We will have a facility that will serve the needs of you and other residents for decades, not a few years.

Finally, a new high school building will reinforce our commitment to doing more with less. We will be reducing our infrastructure from five buildings down to three buildings. It is not reasonable to ask that you continue to support five aging facilities year after year or that our students fail to have the types of educational facilities in which to nurture learning and help them prepare for the educational, employment and public service opportunities of the future. We can work together to make our MSD of Wabash County a model that reflects the positive impact of a community making wise investments that will not only benefit our students but will benefit all of Wabash County.

I ask that you take the time to learn more about the proposed referendum by going to msdwc.org/referendum. There you can use the tax calculator to get a true representation of your tax investment and not rely on random percentages or numbers that get thrown out to the public.

Dr. Chris Kuhn
MSD Assistant Superintendent
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Lifestyles

GRETCHEN'S TABLE



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Apple cider donuts are a seasonal favorite in fall, when apple cider is widely available at markets.

Vermont apple cider doughnuts

By **GRETCHEN MCKAY**
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette (TNS)

My granddaughter, Greta, and I have a lot in common: We're both always moving, easy to smile (if occasionally cranky) and love to be outdoors in the sunshine.

We also share a passion for apple cider doughnuts, which she gets on Saturdays at a farmers market in New Jersey and I snag from Soergel Orchards in Franklin Park whenever I'm in the area. Made in-house year-round, they're one of Pittsburgh's true sugary, guilty pleasures – if you can stop at two, you're a champ.

Luckily, and perhaps surprisingly for those who don't spend a lot of time cooking, cider doughnuts are easy to make. You just have to be comfortable around (really) hot oil and know how to use an instant-read thermometer.

This classic recipe from Yankee Magazine features dough that mixes together in no time and is easy even for novices to work with. It delivers doughnuts that are wonderfully moist on the inside and crunchy on the outside. Buttermilk and boiled cider add a rich, slightly tangy flavor that's irresistible. The traditional way to serve them is sprinkled all over with cinnamon sugar, but you also could use confectioners' or sanding sugar or dip them in a simple glaze.

To make boiled apple cider (which is super-concentrated), pour 1 1/2 cups of cider into a small saucepan and cook over low heat until it reduces to 1/3 cup, about 25 minutes.

Vermont Apple Cider Doughnuts

- 1 cup granulated sugar
 - 5 tablespoons unsalted butter, at room temperature
 - 2 large eggs, at room temperature
 - 3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour, plus extra for work surface
 - 1 1/4 teaspoons table salt
 - 2 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1 teaspoon baking soda
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
 - 1/2 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
 - 1/2 cup low-fat buttermilk
 - 1/3 cup boiled apple cider
 - 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
 - Canola or safflower oil, for frying
 - 1 1/2 cups sugar mixed with 3 tablespoons ground cinnamon
- In a large bowl using a hand-held or standing mixer fitted with a whisk attachment, beat together sugar and butter until mixture is pale and fluffy, 4-6 minutes. Add eggs, one at a time, beating a minute after each. In a medium-sized bowl, whisk together flour, salt, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon and nutmeg; set aside.
- Pour buttermilk, boiled cider and vanilla into sugar/butter/egg mixture. Mix well, and don't worry if the mixture looks a bit curdled; it'll smooth itself out. Add flour mixture and combine gently just until fully moistened.
- Line two baking sheets with waxed or parchment paper and dust generously with flour. Turn dough out onto one baking sheet and pat gently into 3/4-inch thickness. Sprinkle dough with additional flour, cover with plas-

tic wrap, and place in the freezer for 10 minutes to firm up. Remove dough from the freezer; use a lightly floured 3-inch doughnut cutter (I used two concentric biscuit cutters) to cut out about 18 doughnuts with holes. (You may gather the scraps and roll again as needed, but you may need to chill the dough more to firm it up.) Place cut doughnuts on the other baking sheet as you go; then transfer to the freezer for 5 minutes to firm up again.

Line a plate with a few layers of paper towels and set it nearby. In a Dutch oven or large pot, heat 3 inches of oil to 370 degrees. Be sure to test with an instant-read thermometer – if the oil isn't hot enough, the doughnuts will absorb the oil and be greasy; if it's too hot, the doughnuts will burn on the outside before cooking on the inside.

Drop 3 or 4 doughnuts into the oil, being careful not to crowd the pan. Cook until browned on one side, about 1 minute; then flip and cook until browned on the other side, about 1 minute longer. Drain on paper towels.

Repeat with the remaining dough. (If you find that it's getting too soft as you work your way through the batches, pop it into the freezer again for 10 minutes.) When doughnuts are cool enough to handle but still warm, sprinkle all over with cinnamon sugar or confectioners' sugar. (I rolled them in a bowl of cinnamon sugar.) Serve immediately.

Makes about 2 dozen doughnuts.

—yankeemagazine.com

QUICK FIX

Skillet lasagna a comforting fall meal

By **LINDA GASSENHEIMER**
Tribune News Service (TNS)

I love to make lasagna, but it takes time to make. So, I created this Skillet Lasagna. It has the flavors of my favorite lasagna but takes about 15 minutes to make. It's perfect for a comforting fall weeknight meal. The lasagna noodles are broken into small pieces, boiled and added to the meat sauce to absorb the flavor. A quick green salad completes the meal.

Orange zest adds an intriguing, sweet flavor to the lasagna. It is made by scraping or cutting the outer skin of an unwaxed orange. Be sure not to include the white pith just under the skin.

Skillet Lasagna

- Recipe by**
Linda Gassenheimer
- Olive oil spray
 - 2 cups frozen diced onion
 - 3 teaspoons minced garlic
 - 1/2 pound 95 percent lean ground beef
 - 2 large tomatoes, cut into cubes (about 2 cups)
 - 1 cup reduced-sodium pasta sauce
 - Zest from one orange
 - 3 lasagna noodles, broken into smaller pieces about



Linda Gassenheimer / TNS

Skillet Lasagna.

- 1 inch (about 1 1/2 cups) Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
 - 1/2 cup shaved Parmesan cheese
 - 1/2 cup fresh basil leaves, torn into small pieces
- Place a large pot 3/4 filled with water on to boil for the lasagna noodles. Heat a large skillet over medium-high heat and spray with olive oil spray. Add the onion and garlic. Saute 1 minute. Add the

beef and continue to saute to brown the beef, breaking up the meat with the edge of a large spoon, about 1 minute. Add the tomatoes, pasta sauce, orange zest, cover with a lid and cook 5 minutes. Meanwhile, add the lasagna noodles to the boiling water and boil 10 minutes until they are soft. Drain the noodles and add to the skillet. Toss the noodles in the skillet sauce to make sure they

are covered and absorbed some of the sauce. Let sit 2 minutes. Add salt and pepper to taste. Divide the lasagna between two dinner plates. Top each lasagna with shaved Parmesan cheese and sprinkle the basil leaves on top.

Yield 2 servings.

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Kim Kardashian's \$1.26 million SEC fine is pocket change for the star

Celebrities who endorse cryptocurrency received a much-needed warning from the Securities and Exchange Commission through a \$1.26 million settlement with Kim Kardashian. But it's not likely to scare some of these highly paid promoters from

Michelle Singletary



hawking this highly speculative investment. The SEC charged Kardashian with failing to disclose that she was paid \$250,000 to promote EMAX, an obscure crypto offered by EthereumMax. Tout crypto if you want, but you had better be upfront about your bias, the agency is telling social media influencers. "Digital tokens or coins offered and sold may be securities, and those who offer and sell securities in the United States must comply with the federal securities laws," the SEC said in its order, referring to a 2017 warning.

The settlement was a slight win for the SEC's effort to highlight to investors the speculative nature of cryptocurrency. "This case is a reminder that, when celebrities or influencers endorse investment opportunities, including crypto asset securities, it doesn't mean that those investment products are right for all investors," SEC Chair Gary Gensler said.

The SEC got what it wanted: A high-profile punishment. But it wasn't harsh enough. It's akin to a regulatory slap on the wrist for Kardashian, a multimillionaire self-promoter. Without admitting or denying the SEC's findings, Kardashian agreed to settle with the agency. A lawyer for the social media mogul said Kardashian settled to "avoid a protracted dispute."

"The agreement she reached with the SEC allows her to do that so that she can move forward with her many different business pursuits," the statement said.

And there you have it. It was as if Kardashian was using her well-manicured hands to gently wave away a gnat.

Kardashian's \$1.26 million settlement, which represents her quarter-of-a-million-dollar promotional payment, interest and a \$1 million penalty, isn't going to sting financially.

In a 2011 "Keeping Up With the Kardashians" episode shot in Bora Bora, Kim temporarily lost an uninsured \$75,000 stud earring in the ocean. (Her sister Kylie Jenner dived in and found the earring.)

Who wears such an expensive set of earrings for a family beach vacation? Obscenely rich people who can make an SEC securities violation quickly go away, that's who.

Based on her own bragadocio Instagram postings, Kardashian can drop \$1 million on a couple of Birkin bags, one-day shopping sprees, and a few Mediterranean superyacht vacations.

The SEC punishment isn't even pocket change for Kardashian. It's like coins you find under your couch cushion. It's money you don't miss.

Kardashian also agreed not to hawk any crypto asset securities for three years.

Big whoop.

Ironically, in the 24 hours after the SEC settlement

with Kardashian, the price of EthereumMax shot up by about 87 percent, according to CoinMarket-Cap.

This settlement should have done more to tarnish her credibility, because so much about her June 13, 2021, crypto Instagram post was disingenuous. Let's take a deep dive into the now infamous Instagram post.

Kardashian starts by asking: "Are you guys into crypto????"

She knows her audience. Of course, many of them are interested in what so many think is the next big investment breakthrough that could make them filthy rich. If Kim Kardashian is dabbling in crypto, they want to try it too.

Then she wrote, recognizing that she might be on legal soft ground, "This is not financial advice."

This is what any well-trained promoter will claim to avoid trouble from securities regulators. But that language is a false note.

She steered people to a link to EthereumMax's website, which provided instructions on how potential investors could purchase EMAX tokens, the SEC said. By the way, EMAX is different from ethereum, which is one of the most popular cryptocurrencies.

Swipe up to "join the E-Max community," Kardashian urged her legion of FOMO followers.

Nothing in the post warned potential investors that they were being directed to a volatile, speculative asset. She didn't explain the risks involved with crypto investing.

"Purchasers of EMAX tokens would have had a reasonable expectation of profits from their investment in the tokens," the SEC said in the settlement order. "EthereumMax's marketing materials, moreover, contained numerous direct statements that the EMAX tokens would rise in value as a result of the efforts of the Company and its agents."

Kardashian's post further said she was sharing "what my friends just told me about the ethereum Max Token!"

What friends?

The folks she hangs out with from EthereumMax who gave her \$250,000 to help promote their company?

Kardashian ended the Instagram post with #AD, indicating it was an advertisement. I guess it was supposed to communicate, "Hey, y'all, I'm getting paid to help you become wealthy too."

That #AD hashtag was a trifling attempt at disclosure.

"Investors are entitled to know whether the publicity of a security is unbiased," said Gurbir S. Grewal, director of the SEC's Division of Enforcement.

Celebrities have long shilled for products to cash in on their popularity. Sure, fine, whatever.

But with great social media power and presence comes great responsibility to be upfront about risky investments that could leave your fans broke.

My advice: Don't take advice from celebrities backing crypto.

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Are you ready to kick up your heels? Enjoy a fall evening at Mississinewa Lake's Boots & Blue Jean Ball from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at the beach house, located in Miami State Recreation Area (SRA), 4673 S. 625 E., Peru. Overnight campers and day visitors are invited to attend. This outdoor, under the stars, country-themed dance will feature line and square dancing, callers Rich and Carolyn McCov, and dancers familiar

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned a tailgate food distribution for 11 a.m. Wednesdays, Oct. 26 at Bachelor Creek Church of

It won't be long until Salam-

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "B is for Bat" on Thursday, Oct. 20. How do these mammals fly and hunt at night? Children ages 2 to 5 and their adults

Restoration of the Eel River of Northern Indiana: A Journey of Reconciliation with Nature has been set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25 at the Honeywell House, 720 N. Wabash St. Jerry Sweeten will examine the cultural and natural history of the Eel River of northern Wabash County within the context of ecological restoration and research of the system over the past 20 years. The Eel River is a hidden gem of Wabash County with a rich and robust natural history and a great place to kayak.

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INITIATIVE

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comprehensive strategic plan,” said project manager for marketing and events Chelsea Parson. Imagine One 85 is the comprehensive planning initiative undertaken by community leaders in Wabash County that has been spearheaded by GWC, the Community Foundation of Wabash County (CFWC), and local government leaders from across the community. Members of the combined Wabash County, Wabash and North Manchester plan commissions met Thursday, June 16 on stage in the auditorium of Wabash High School to approve the recently released Imagine One 85 Comprehensive Plan. “Thanks in part to grant funding from the Lilly Endowment Gift VII initiative and leaders, stakeholders and community members of Wabash County have spent the past two-plus years working together to develop a countywide strategic comprehensive plan to arrest and reverse decades of population decline. The Imagine One 85 plan is now finalized and has been adopted by all

governing bodies in Wabash County,” said Parson. Parson said as DDS “will take the lead on activating community members and organizations to prioritize, implement, and achieve the 85 recommendations outlined in the countywide comprehensive plan.” “We are thrilled to contract with Alex and Downard Development Strategies to lead the implementation of the recommendations outlined in the Imagine One85 plan that our community has worked so hard on over the last couple of years,” said GWC president and CEO Keith Gillenwater. “We have worked with Alex often, dating back to his time as a college intern for Grow Wabash County while he was studying at Manchester University. We are confident that Alex and DDS will hit the ground running on these efforts.” Downard, a resident of Wabash County and a 2020 graduate from Manchester University, established DDS in 2021. “He demonstrates ample professional experience in project management, business development, and other public affairs, and through his community service on

the Manchester Alive board of directors and participation in the Indiana Leadership Forum,” said Parson. The Imagine One 85 plan includes initiatives relating to housing, workforce, early childhood education, rural broadband, and other quality-of-life opportunities to arrest and reverse Wabash County’s population decline. In March, the CFWC and GWC released the first publicly available version of the Imagine One 85 comprehensive plan. The group had been hard at work on the project for months. This planning process was launched in July 2020 and was anticipated to last 14 months in total. Dozens of community members gathered for the Imagine One 85 Summit on July 14, 2021, in Honeywell Center Plaza, to help provide their input into the proposed plan. While northeast Indiana’s 11-county region has consistently grown for four decades, Wabash County has not. The 11-county region’s 2020 population total was 797,701 people for Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Huntington, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells and Whitley counties, compared to 759,086 in 2010. The three

counties that lost population in the past decade were Huntington, Noble and Wabash counties at 462, 79 and 1,912 residents respectively. After four decades of population decline, there are now around 5,000 fewer residents, a 14 percent decline, one-half of the city of Wabash. To regain the local population and continue to grow as communities, Wabash County will need to add 85 households each year. In addition to general population loss, Wabash County’s labor force has taken a significant hit over the past few years, down from 15,048 in December 2019 to 14,234 in December 2020. The stated goal of Imagine One 85 is to come up with a plan that “will ensure our future is not left to chance.” The 100-page, seven-chapter plan includes 85 action items aimed at growing Wabash County’s population. The plan’s 85 unique recommendations are organized

into four topic areas that emerged through community engagement sessions and technical analysis. These areas include: ■ Great Places: Preserving, enhancing, and strengthening the natural environment. ■ Prosperity: Fostering a strong entrepreneurial spirit, growing the economy and supporting educational and professional development. ■ Housing and Community: Increasing residential options and diversifying housing stock. Foundations: Strengthening and modernizing infrastructure and improving community connections, design, and efficiency. First to be addressed are a select number of priority actions aimed at reversing population decline. The plan closes with an implementation agenda that keeps the plan moving forward and avoids the common problem of comprehensive plans – good

plans that get shelved. Funded in part by a GIFT VII leadership grant to the Community Foundation from Lilly Endowment, the efforts included an in-depth study of county economics and demographics. Announced in June 2019, the comprehensive work has engaged multiple firms in technical analysis. They included: the Community Research Institute at Purdue University Fort Wayne, Transform Consulting Group, Becker Consulting, Make No Small Plans, planning NEXT, Nini-gret Partners LLC, Burges & Niple, Policy Analytics and One Lucky Guitar. To read the entire draft plan, visit cfwabash.org, growwabashcounty.com or imagineone85.org. Hard copies of the plan may also be requested by calling 260-563-5258 or 260-982-4824. Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com.

ORCHESTRA

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conjures up vivid images of this ancient fable in a way that is unforgettable and much loved by all generations. We are thrilled that Dr. Scott Strode, Manchester professor emeritus of theater, has agreed to serve as our narrator.” The concert is 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9 in Cordier Auditorium at Manchester University North Manchester. Tickets are \$20 for general admission. Admission is free for MU students, faculty and staff, as well as anyone younger than 18. To buy tickets or get access to the live stream, visit www.manchestersymphonyorchestra.org. Tickets may

also be purchased at the door. The storytelling continues with “Mother Goose (Ma Mere l’Oye) Suite” by Maurice Ravel, which offers musical renditions of five Mother Goose nursery tales: Sleeping Beauty, Tom Thumb, Princess of the Pagodas, Beauty and the Beast, and The Fairy Garden. “The aural imagery is stunningly colorful and mystical, featuring the glistening sounds of the celesta and harp in addition to a low, gurgly appearance by the contrabassoon – an uncommon instrument in the orchestra – as The Beast,” Lynn said. “Chokfi” by Chickasaw composer Jerod Impichchaachaaha’ Tate is a short and exciting new work. “The English translation of the title is ‘Rabbit.’ It ex-

plores how a rabbit moves: running, hopping, gliding, sitting tall, lying low, ears up and down (or one of each), twitching nose, and many others that make this animal legendary among Indigenous peoples throughout their history on this continent,” Lynn said. “This challenging, nimble work will be led by student conductor Mason Kniola.” The concert also showcases “Overture to King Arthur.” This suite from Henry Purcell’s Baroque-era opera teems with regalia, honor, heroism and beauty. This piece is especially poignant in the weeks following the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. Anne Gregory is the communications and media relations director for Manchester University.

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Apaches victorious in Wabash Cross Country Invitational



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Wabash's front-runner Calisen Kugler crashes through the finish line on Tuesday, Sept. 20 as she led the Apaches to a first place team victory at the Wabash Cross Country Invitational meet held at the city park. Kugler, who took first place individual honors in a time of 23:18, was followed by teammates Haylee Friend, who was second with a time of 23:51; Iva Beamer, who was fourth, with a time of 25:13; Raegan Jones, who was fifth, with a time of 25:14; and Maya Howard, who was sixth, with a time of 25:56. Northfield's Madeline Moore took third place in a time of 24:03.

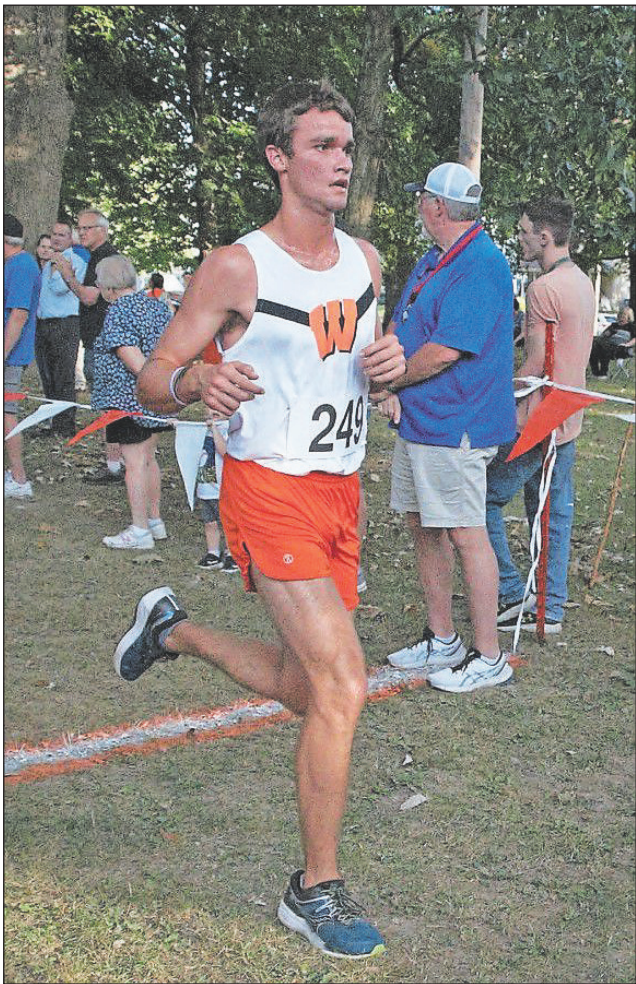


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Dave Ford, of Wabash, takes third place in the boys chase in a time of 18:31, along with teammate Kaden Vogel in second at 18:14. Apache runners outpaced their competition as they took first place in total team scoring with Lewis Cass placing second, Northfield third and Whitko in fourth place. In other top 10 individual results, Brett Shull took fourth, with a time of 18:39.30; Jonas Church took fifth, with a time of 18:39.50; Isaiah Cordes took eighth, with a time of 18:48; and Chase Howard took 10th, with a time of 19:28.



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Northfield's Madeline Moore runs toward her third place finish in the Wabash Cross Country Invitational.

Colts searching for a fix after another ugly offensive game

By **MICHAEL MAROT**
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Colts wanted to put on an entertaining prime-time show Thursday night.

Instead, they turned most football fans off with another dismal offensive performance. They allowed six more sacks, had two more turnovers and failed to score a touchdown for the second time this season. But the Colts still won 12-9 in overtime in Denver.

"An ugly win is a beautiful thing," team owner Jim Irsay posted on Twitter.

The league's lowest-scoring offense has a few extra days to find a fix — its next game isn't until Oct. 16. And the reality is if the Colts can't change their ghastly numbers, they won't make the playoffs.

Indy (69) and Chicago (64) are the only NFL teams to score fewer than 70

points this season — and the Bears can break away from the pack Sunday.

The Colts enter this weekend tied with New Orleans for the league's most giveaways (11). Quarterback Matt Ryan has 11 fumbles, matching the second-highest single-season total of his 15-year career. He's one short of a single-season career high and on pace for 37, which would shatter the NFL record (23).

And while the Colts (2-2-1) played without injured defending rushing champ Jonathan Taylor and lost his replacement, Nyheim Hines, to the concussion protocol before most people tuned in Thursday, their offensive line is in shambles. It's given up a league-worst 21 sacks.

What's wrong? What isn't?

"We're obviously in a slump of scoring points, the facts are the facts," coach Frank Reich said of In-

dy's seven-game streak of scoring 20 or fewer points. "There are a lot of things that go into that — play-calling is certainly one of them. I'm always evaluating that."

Indy climbed back to .500 and clawed its way back into the postseason picture by making field goals in the waning seconds of regulation and on the first drive of overtime.

But without Stephon Gilmore's interception with a little more than two minutes left in regulation or his pass break up on the game's final play — both in the end zone to thwart the Broncos' scoring chances — the Colts wouldn't have been celebrating.

They would have spent the rest of this season chasing others as they've done the past few seasons.

So Reich and his staff will spend this extra-long weekend mulling solutions.

"That's not a good enough offensive performance," he said. "It was good enough

last night. I know nobody wants to hear that but that's the fact. It was good enough last night when it had to be."

What's working

Kicker Chase McLaughlin. The defense has been among the league's stingiest — and McLaughlin has been the most reliable scoring option. Since rejoining the Colts in Week 2, he's made all four extra points and seven of eight field goals, including two late ones Thursday.

What needs help

Offensive line. The Colts used two different starting lineups in five days, and neither worked. Since Sunday, Ryan has been sacked nine times, thrown three interceptions and fumbled four times — largely because of poor pass protection. Expect Indy to try another lineup in Week 6.

Stock up

Gilmore. Indy's offseason

investment paid big dividends when Gilmore played like the 2019 NFL defensive player of the year, coming up with two of the biggest plays in Thursday's game.

Stock down

Bernhard Raimann. Indy tried the rookie at left tackle and he drew four penalties in the first half, three for holding. He was marginally better in the second half and should improve with more playing time, but was overmatched in his starting debut.

Injuries

In addition to Hines, DE Kwity Paye was carted off the field in the second with an ankle injury. Reich said X-rays were negative and they hope he can return soon. Danny Pinter replaced Pro Bowl center Ryan Kelly (hip) following Ryan's first interception. WR Ashton Dulin did not return after hurting his foot. The Colts

Key numbers

One. Ryan's five-touchdown, seven-interception totals are troubling, but the bigger concern should be the run production. Despite having one of the league's top rushers, Indy is one of four teams with a single rushing TD this season.

Next steps

The defense certainly is good enough and McLaughlin's emergence has provided a special teams boost. But if the offense can't get in sync soon, every game could look like Thursday night's. The most essential component of the mini-bye week will be finding an offensive line that can keep Ryan upright and clear holes for runners.

No. 16 BYU, Notre Dame looking for crucial win in Las Vegas

By **W.G. RAMIREZ**
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Even with everything the city has to offer, neither No. 16 BYU nor Notre Dame will have much to do with the bright lights of the Las Vegas Strip.

Notre Dame coach Marcus Freeman said he will have bed checks Friday at 8:30 p.m. sharp before Saturday's matchup in Las Vegas.

Cougars coach Kalani Sitake said the team's usual protocols will be in place, including a curfew, while he'll have his players staying nowhere near the temptation of Las Vegas Boulevard, instead housing his squad at Lake Las Vegas.

"I trust our players, and more than anything it's just keeping our guys safe and knowing where they're at, that's the key," Sitake said.

Both teams are all business as they face a game that's crucial to each in different ways. The Irish (2-2) are trying not to dip below .500 and BYU (4-1) is trying to stay in the hunt for a New Year's Six bowl bid.

And while the Cougars are the nationally ranked team with the better record, Sitake said they're embracing Notre Dame's status as a favorite in the game, with the Irish installed as a 3 1/2-point favorite,

according to FanDuel Sportsbook.

"I like the underdog mentality all the time," Sitake said. "No matter what the situation is, we know we're going against a great team. Notre Dame hasn't played their best football yet. ... But we haven't played our best either."

The Cougars are led by quarterback Jaren Hall, who ranks 21st nationally with 300.4 yards of total offense per game, including 287.6 yards passing. Hall, who has thrown for 250 or more yards in 11 of his last 12 games, has completed 72.8 percent of his passes the past two weeks in wins over Wyoming and Utah State. His 12 TDs through the air are tied for 18th in the nation.

The Irish counter with Drew Pyne, who has settled in as the starter since Tyler Buchner was lost to a season-ending shoulder injury. Pyne had career-bests in Notre Dame's 45-32 win at North Carolina on Sept. 24 with 289 yards passing and three touchdowns.

"It's been really good to see, No. 1, Drew Pyne make really good decisions, and that's the most important thing at the quarterback position, gotta make the right decisions," Freeman said. "Two, he's limited his turnovers. He's taking

care of the football. No. 3, he's starting to make a lot of plays, so it's good to see him in that growth and that part of our offense and guys stepping up."

Sack attack

Notre Dame averages 3.25 sacks per game, 12th best in the nation. The Irish have 13 sacks in four games, with nine different players recording at least a half sack. Isaiah Foskey leads all Irish players with three sacks this season.

Home away from home

The Cougars are no strangers to Las Vegas, where they are 13-4 all time, including a victory in last year's inaugural Las Vegas Kickoff Classic. BYU beat Arizona 24-16 at Allegiant Stadium.

Vegas video vibes

Two months after Notre Dame took inspiration from "The Hangover," the 2009 Bradley Cooper movie set in Vegas, to reveal its Shamrock Series uniform for the game, BYU took a cue from the UFC.

On Aug. 4, Notre Dame released a video featuring coach Marcus Freeman and players Foskey and Michael Mayer meeting alumni Mike Golic Sr. and Mike Golic Jr.

in the desert for a jersey reveal. With the encounter a failure, the Notre Dame trio heads back to Las Vegas to find their white jersey with gold trim on the roof of a hotel.

BYU answered Monday from UFC headquarters with UFC Hall of Famer Forrest Griffin walking to the middle of an octagon to address Cougars players, telling them their traditional blue

uniform "doesn't exactly scream fight night in Vegas." Griffin enlists magician Mat Franco, who magically reveals a black uniform with a royal blue-fade-to-black helmet.

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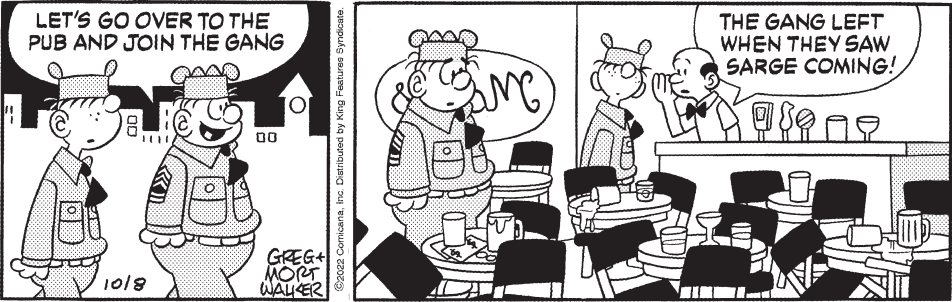
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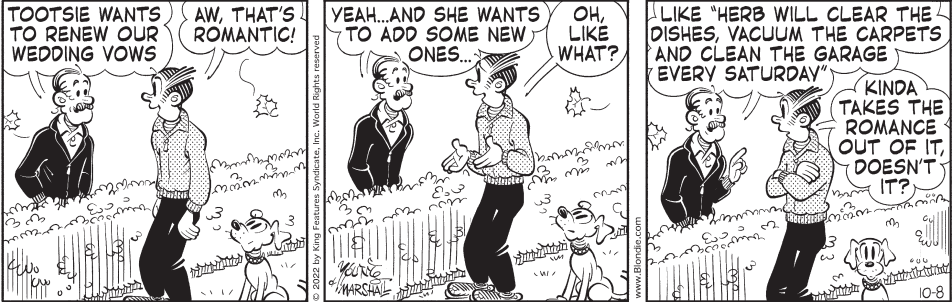
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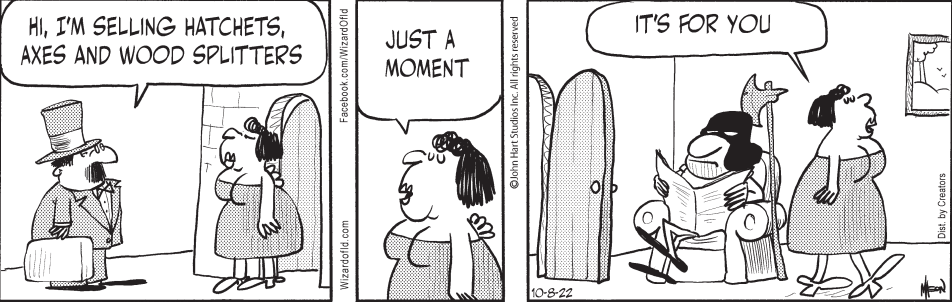
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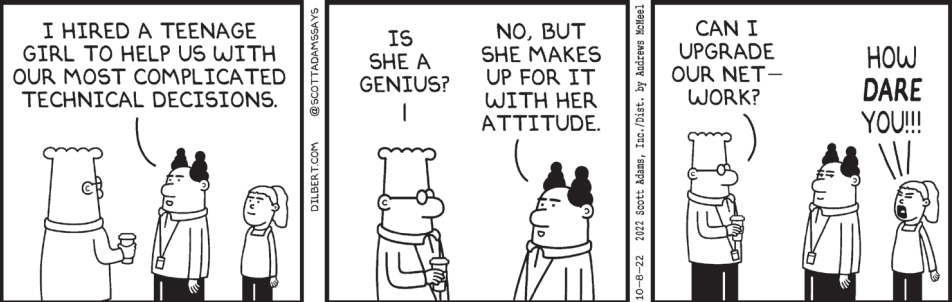
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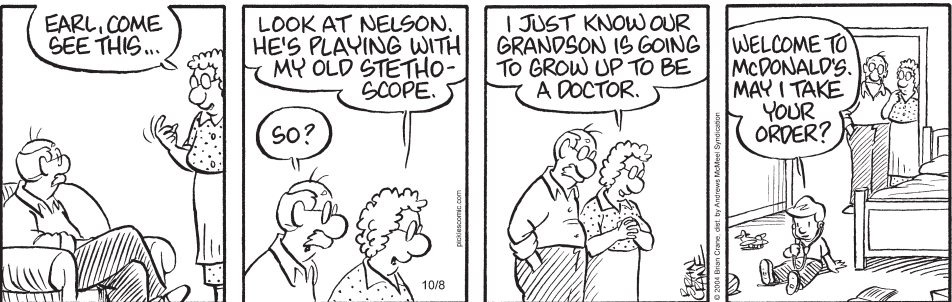
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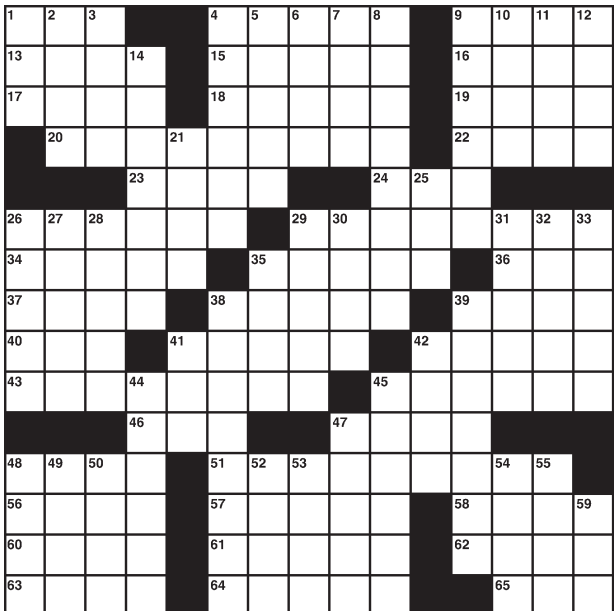
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Sibling has extreme wedding attendant anxiety

DEAR AMY: My sibling has asked me to be a part of their wedding party.

I was shocked in a positive way.

I've never been asked to be part of a wedding party before. I love and respect my sibling immensely, even though we are not super close.

While I want to support them on their special day, I am getting anxious about standing in in front of people, and the wedding isn't even until later next year.

Any presentations I had to give during school up until my master's degree resulted in my face/body turning so red that I have been asked if I have a severe sunburn.

A beta blocker helped sometimes, but it wasn't guaranteed.

I also have hyperhidrosis, where I can easily sweat through an entire outfit in a matter of minutes and be left with drenched clothing that people can see.

How do I break the news to my sibling that I want to do it, but I just don't think I can handle it?

My anxiety not to be the center of attention has led to me and my fiancé planning a private wedding with just our young kids and parents attending.

My sibling does not even know this yet (the wedding date hasn't been set), so should I break that news at the same time?

How can I say this so no feelings are hurt? – Too Shy
DEAR TOO SHY: It was kind

of your sibling to include you in their wedding party.

You've probably been to weddings, and so you know that when you are in the wedding party, you are up there with others – and the focus is mainly on the couple who are getting married.

All the same, attendants are definitely on stage, and the idea of this is triggering a lot of anxiety for you. You should be honest in your response.

I assume that your sibling might anticipate that this would be challenging for you. So respond (sooner rather than later): "I am really honored that you asked me to stand up with you! But I'm really worried about doing that, so I hope it's OK if I cheer you on from the sidelines. I think that's the most I can do."

Ask if there are other ways you can be helpful during the planning process.

In terms of your own wedding, you should not combine these two conversations. You have every right to design and enjoy your own wedding in whatever way you choose, but you should do your best to separate the two events.

DEAR AMY: For decades I did my own taxes, until a couple years ago when we got audited.

After that, I found a local firm to handle our personal income taxes.

Recently the state revenue office informed us that our accountant made a very basic error – she entered the federal income instead of the state income on one of our state tax returns.

I emailed our accountant the letter from the state and asked if it was true that we

owed nothing. She wrote back, "That's correct. Thanks for sharing!"

It definitely undercuts my confidence in her, and I feel helpless without the expertise to detect other errors.

And frankly, it irritates me that she didn't acknowledge making a mistake.

Ever since our costly audit, everything about taxes intimidates me, and I'm not sure what to do – ask for a different accountant, switch firms?

Or should I just hope she's learned from the mistake? – Stress and Taxes

DEAR STRESS: This is a business relationship. Yes, people do make mistakes, but when someone you have hired makes a mistake, they need to admit it, make it right, and then work to restore your confidence.

Because this is a new arrangement, and your accountant has done none of these things, you should contact the firm and ask to be paired with a different accountant.

Interview this new person, and make sure they are strong communicators.

DEAR AMY: Thank you for encouraging people to tip generously.

These days tips are divided amongst a whole range of staff and can include the busser, runner, dishwasher, janitorial staff and cook.

So, when tipping, look across the dining room floor and think about how the tip is going to many of them – and reconsider that it is a rating system for the server.

Until the tip system is fixed, workers are living off of those tips. – Also Generous

DEAR GENEROUS: Thank you for offering this very good tip.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) Someone you meet could surprise you by signaling amorous intentions. Don't mistake infatuation for love or let flattery go to your head. Avoid a misunderstanding with your partner by being more attentive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Make peace with an opponent or strengthen the bonds of affection with loved ones. You are happiest with those who offer unconditional support. Set helpful and protective boundaries with those who continually stir up drama.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your warmth and friendliness may be so refreshing that you gain a fan club. Even if someone misunderstands your intentions, you can still work things out because your real friends will support you in the end.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Keep your feet planted firmly on the ground even when your head is in the clouds. It may be difficult to be sociable and relax because you may be preoccupied by practical affairs. Relatives provide a good sounding board.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Friendly persuasion might be the best tool in your bag of tricks. You may be able to get the best outcome if you handle a situation gently and sensitively. People are more likely to help someone who is working to help themselves.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Minor problems that could impact your budget might be caused by carelessness or extravagance. Avoid a dispute with a loved one by being straightforward and honest. Stress can be alleviated with the help of a loved one.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You may suffer the pangs of a serious infatuation. Time will tell if the attraction is lasting or just a spark that quickly fades. Hold off on making promises because you may not be on the same page as someone else.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You may see clearly just what needs to be said or done to cure a current problem. For a few hours, you might allow someone's emotional state to override your common sense. A family friend can be a source of inspiration.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) If you're persuaded to uncritically go along with public opinion, you may end up agreeing to something that is not in your best interests. A partner or loved one could want to invite friends to your home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Mysteries can be explored, and facts can be brought to light. You may prefer to contemplate an issue thoroughly before you make a decision. Maintain an intelligent and objective attitude and use your best judgment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You are probably on the same wavelength as your closest friends. Attending community events or volunteering in community efforts might give you a chance to spend time with people and do something constructive, too.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Minor flaws in a relationship could become a point of contention. You may be tempted to try something that fulfills your fantasies but end up on a wild goose chase. Temporary challenges and struggles should soon end.

Russia strikes annexed area; more bodies in liberated zones

By **ADAM SCHRECK**
Associated Press

KYIV, Ukraine — Russia concentrated attacks Friday in its increasingly troubled invasion of Ukraine on areas it illegally annexed as the death toll from earlier missile strikes on apartment buildings in the southern city of Zaporizhzhia rose to 14.

In a rebuke to Russian President Vladimir Putin and his conduct of Europe's worst armed conflict since World War II, the Norwegian Nobel Committee awarded the Nobel Peace Prize to human rights organizations in his country and Ukraine, and to an activist jailed in Russia's ally Belarus.

Berit Reiss-Andersen, the committee's chair, said the honor went to "three outstanding champions of human rights, democracy and peaceful coexistence."

Putin this week illegally claimed four regions of Ukraine as Russian territory, including the Zaporizhzhia region that is home to Europe's largest nuclear power plant, whose reactors were shut down last month.

Fighting near the Russian-occupied Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant has alarmed the U.N.'s atomic energy watchdog, which on Friday doubled to four the number of its inspectors monitoring plant safeguards. An accident there could release 10 times more potentially lethal radiation than the world's worst nuclear disaster at Chernobyl in Ukraine 36 years ago, Ukrainian Environmental Protection Minister Ruslan Strilets said Friday.

"The situation with the occupation, shelling, and mining of the Chernobyl and Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plants by Russian troops is causing consequences that will have a global character," Strilets told The Associated Press.

The U.N. watchdog, the International Atomic Energy Agency, reported more trouble at the plant, saying Friday on Twitter that external power had again been cut off to one of Zaporizhzhia's shutdown reactors, necessitating the use of emergency backup diesel generators to run safety systems.

The city of Zaporizhzhia is located 33 miles away from the nuclear plant as a crow flies and remains under Ukrainian control. To cement Russia's claim to the region, Russian forces bombarded the city with S-300 missiles on Thursday, with more attacks reported Friday.

Ukrainian authorities said the death toll from the strikes on apartment buildings rose to 14 on Friday, while 12 people wounded in the bombardment remained hospitalized.

Missiles also struck the city

overnight, wounding one person, Zaporizhzhia Gov. Oleksandr Starukh said. Russia also used Iranian-made Shahed-136 drones there for the first time and damaged two infrastructure facilities, he said.

With its army losing ground to a Ukrainian counteroffensive in the south and east, Russia has deployed unmanned, disposable Iranian-made drones that are cheaper and less sophisticated than missiles but still can damage ground targets.

The Washington-based Institute for the Study of War said Russia's use of the explosives-packed drones was unlikely to affect the course of the war.

"They have used many drones against civilian targets in rear areas, likely hoping to generate nonlinear effects through terror. Such efforts are not succeeding," analysts at the think tank wrote.

In other Moscow-annexed areas, Russia's Defense Ministry reported Friday that its forces had repelled Ukrainian advances near the city of Lyman and retaken three villages elsewhere in the eastern Donetsk region. The ministry also claimed that Russian forces had prevented Ukrainian troops from advancing on several villages in the southern Kherson region.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said in his nightly video address Friday that this week alone, his military has recaptured 300 square miles of territory in the east and 29 settlements, including six in the Luhansk region, which Putin has annexed. In total, Ukrainian forces have liberated 940 square miles of land and 96 settlements since the beginning of its counteroffensive, he said.

In Ukraine's Dnipropetrovsk region, Russian troops shelled the city of Nikopol overnight, killing one person, wounding another and damaging buildings, natural gas pipelines and electricity systems, the governor reported. Nikopol lies along the Dnieper River across from Russian-held territory

near the nuclear power plant. The city has been shelled frequently for weeks.

The trail of Russia's devastation and death from areas where its troops retreated became clearer Friday. A report by Ukrainian First Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs Yevhen Yenin revealed that 530 bodies of civilians have been found in Ukraine's north-eastern Kharkiv region since Sept. 7.

The residents killed during the Russian occupation included 257 men, 225 women and 19 children, with 29 people unidentified, Yenin said. Most of the bodies were found in a previously disclosed mass grave in the city of Izium.

According to Yenin, the recovered bodies bore signs of gunshots, explosions and torture. Some people had ropes around their necks, hands tied behind their back, bullet wounds to their knees and broken ribs.

Authorities have identified 22 torture sites in parts of the Kharkiv region that Ukrainian forces recently liberated, said Serhiy Bolvinov, a regional police official.

In recently recaptured Lyman, workers found 200 individual graves and a mass grave with an unknown number of victims, Donetsk Gov. Pavlo Kyrylenko reported on Telegram. In Sviatohirsk, 15 miles from Lyman, 21 bodies of civilians were reburied.

Russian military equipment and weapons, meanwhile, is getting into Ukrainian hands. Britain's Ministry of Defense said Friday that Ukrainian forces have captured at least 440 tanks and about 650 armored vehicles since the Russian invasion started Feb. 24.

"The failure of Russian crews to destroy intact equipment before withdrawing or surrendering highlights their poor state of training and low levels of battle discipline," the British ministry said. "With Russian formations under severe strain in several sectors and increasingly demoralized troops, Russia will likely continue to lose heavy weaponry."

Putin ordered a partial mobilization of Russian army reservists last month to reinforce manpower on the front lines in Ukraine. Mistakes have dogged the military call-up, however, and tens of thousands of men have fled Russia, unwilling to fight Putin's war.

That has left Russia desperate for troop reinforcements. The Ukrainian military said Friday that 500 former criminals have been mobilized to reinforce Russian ranks in

the eastern Donetsk region, where Ukrainian forces have retaken territory. Law enforcement officers are commanding the new units, the military said.

Russia's state news agency Tass reported Friday that a court in the Russian city of Penza had dismissed the first case against a Russian man called up to serve but who refused. The 32-year-old man's lawyers had argued that the law under which he was charged

applies only to conscription evaders, not those subject to the partial mobilization.

In another sign of trouble, reports have surfaced of poor training and few supplies for the new Russian troops. At least two Russian cities — St. Petersburg and Nizhny Novgorod — announced Friday they were canceling their Russian New Year's and Christmas celebrations and redirecting that money to buy supplies for Russian troops.

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Notice of Public Hearing before the Board of Zoning Appeals of the
City of Wabash, Indiana
Notice is hereby given on the 3rd day of October, 2022, TK Holdings
LLC filed with the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of "Wabash,
Indiana, a petition requesting an appeal of a decision by the Building
Commissioner of the City of Wabash, Indiana, to-wit: for the grant of a
variance.
The location and description of the property for which the VARIANCE
has been requested is 120 Hale Dr., Wabash, IN 46992.
The description of the action requested in the petition is to relocate
existing business at 150 Smith St. to 120 Hale Dr., both Wabash, IN
to Support additional square footage need to support growth. Zoned
General Business requesting use variance to use light
Industry/Industrial
The petition and all necessary information relating thereto will be
available for public inspection in the office of the Building Commission
of the City of Wabash, Indiana, Wabash City Hall, 202 South Wabash
Street, Wabash, Indiana from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through
Friday of each week until the date of the hearing of the petition.
A public hearing will be held by said Board on the 20th day of October,
2022 at 6:30 p.m.in the Wabash City Hall, 202 South Wabash Street,
Wabash, Indiana, at which time all interested persons will have the
opportunity to be heard on the matters set forth in the petition.
James Straws
CBI, CFI, CPE
Building Commissioner
CASE NO. 03702925
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EXHIBIT A - LEGAL DESCRIPTION
Tract I
A part of Reserve number Eighteen (18), in Township number Twenty-
seven (27) North, of Range Six (6) East, bounded and described as
follows:
Beginning at a point ten (10) feet east of the southeast corner of Lot
number Seventeen (17) in Roy Wertenberger's Sub-division of a part
of the West Half of Reserve number Eighteen (18), in Township
number Twenty-seven (27) North, of Range Six (6) East; thence north,
parallel with the east line of the said Lot number Seventeen (17),
358.00 feet to a point Ten (10) feet east of the northeast corner of said
lot; thence east on the . north line of said Lot number Seventeen (17)
continued, 200.00 feet; thence south, parallel with the east line of the
said Lot number Seventeen (17), 358.00 feet; thence west, 200.00 feet
to the place of beginning.
Containing 1.64 acres, more or less.
Also
Tract 2
A part of the West Half of Reserve number Eighteen (18), in Township
number Twenty-seven (27) North, of Range Six (6) East, lying within
the corporate limits of the City of Wabash, Wabash County, Indiana,
bounded and described as follows:
Beginning at a point in the south line of that portion of said West Half,
set off by the Commissioners of the Wabash Circuit Court partition to
Florence B. Bechtold and Charles W. Cochran, as shown in Deed
Record #69, page 509 of the Deed Records of Wabash County,
Indiana,' 210.00 feet east from the northeast corner of Lot number
Seventeen (17) in Wertenberger's Sub-division of a part of the West
Half of said Reserve; thence east, along said partition line, two
hundred (200) feet; thence south parallel with the east line of said Lot
#17, 378.00 feet to a point in the center line of Hale Drive if prolonged
east; thence west, along said center line prolonged, 200.00 feet;
thence north, parallel with said east line of said Lot #17, 378.00 feet to
the place of beginning.
Containing 1.73 acres, more or less.
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Notice of Public Hearing before the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Wabash, Indiana

Notice is hereby given on the 7th day of October 20 22, 595 Bryan Ave Wabash LLC filed with the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Wabash, Indiana, a petition requesting an appeal of a decision by the Building Commissioner of the City of Wabash, Indiana, to-wit: for the grant of a variance.

The location and description of the property for which the Use Variance has been requested is 595 Bryan Ave, Wabash, IN See Exhibit A.

The description of the action requested in the petition is variance to allow storage warehouse in an R4 District.

The petition and all necessary information relating thereto will be available for public inspection in the office of the Building Commission of the City of Wabash, Indiana, Wabash City Hall, 202 South Wabash Street, Wabash, Indiana from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday of each week until the date of the hearing of the petition.

A public hearing will be held by said Board on the 20th day of October 20 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Wabash City Hall, 202 South Wabash Street, Wabash, Indiana, at which time all interested persons will have the opportunity to be heard on the matters set forth in the petition.

James Straws
CBI, CFI, CPE
Building Commissioner
Exhibit A
Legal Description
A part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 3, Township 27 North, Range 6 East, in the City of Wabash, Wabash County, Indiana, being more particularly described as follows:
Commencing at the southeast corner of said Southeast Quarter; thence North 00 degrees 50 minutes 15 seconds West, basis of bearings, along the east line of said Southeast Quarter, 897.60 feet (deed distance), said point being 1748.69 feet, South 00 degrees 50 minutes 15 seconds East of the northeast corner of said Southeast Quarter; thence South 89 degrees 09 minutes 15 seconds West, along the north line of Candellite Village subdivision, 893.00 feet to a rebar stake for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing South 89 degrees 09 minutes 15 seconds West, along said north line 237.65 feet to the southwest corner of a tract of land owned by Robert R. McCallen as recorded on page 355 of deed record 299 in the records of the office of the Wabash County, Indiana Recorder; thence continuing South 89 degrees 09 minutes 15 seconds West, along said north line, 235.10 feet to the northwest corner of said subdivision and the southeasterly boundary of a tract of land owned by J.N. Properties as recorded on page 364, page 271 lit said Recorder's Office; thence North 54 degrees 14 minutes 45 seconds East, along said southeasterly boundary, 188.63 feet; thence continuing North 54 degrees 14 minutes 45 seconds East, along said southeasterly boundary, 100.00 feet; thence North 36 degrees 14 minutes 38 seconds West, along the northeasterly boundary of said J.N. Properties, and extension thereof, 121.37 feet; thence North 54 degrees 14 minutes 45 seconds East, 271.00 feet; thence North 36 degrees 14 minutes 38 seconds West, 70.00 feet; thence North 54 degrees 14 minutes 45 seconds East, 63.86 feet; thence North 00 degrees 50 minutes 09 seconds West, 55.66 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the right; thence northeasterly, along said curve having a radius of 90.00 feet, an arc length of 71.98 feet and subtended by a chord bearing North 22 degrees 04 minutes 39 seconds East, 70.08 feet; thence North 44 degrees 59 minutes 27 seconds East, 31.28 feet to the point of curvature of a non-tangent curve to the left and southwesterly right of way line of Bryan Avenue; thence southeasterly, along said right of way and a curve having a radius of 369.67 feet, an arc length of 86.18 feet and subtended by a chord bearing South 54 degrees 21 minutes 40 seconds East, 85.98 feet; thence South 88 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds West, 46.47 feet; thence South 00 degrees 50 minutes 09 seconds East, 603.39 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing therein 3.11 acres more or less.HSPAXLP.10/08/2022

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CATHOLIC

St. Bernard Catholic Church, corner of Cass & Sinclair. Fr. Jay Horning. Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m.

St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Main Street in Lagro Mass Time: 11 a.m. First Sunday of the month throughout the year except January and February. Let us worship together.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Christian Heritage Church, 2776 River Road. (260) 569-7710. Pastor Tim Prater. Sunday 8:30am. Radio Ministry 95.9 WKUZ. Sunday School 9:30am. Morning Service 10:30am. Sunday evening 6pm. Wednesday evening 6pm. Online services on Sunday at 10:30 am and Wednesday 6:00 pm

LaFontaine Christian Church, 202 Bruner Pike, LaFontaine
Minister Brad Wright. (765) 981-2101. Worship 9am & 10:30am, Nursery & Jr. Church available. Online Services available on our website

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ, Wabash (corner of N Wabash Street and US 24). Evangelist Josh Fennell (260) 563-8234. Sunday School 9am. Morning Worship 10am. Evening Worship 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Wednesday Kid's Jam 7pm.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Wabash Church of the Brethren, 645 Bond Street (off Falls Avenue). Pastor Doug Veal. (260) 563-5291. Wherever you are on life's journey, come join us as we continue the work of Jesus...Peacefully, Simply, Together. Sunday School 9:30am. Worship 10:30am. Children's church and nursery available during worship. Online Service through website or conference call.

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Stephen Eberhard, Minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: www.wabashchristian.org. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on YouTube and Facebook.

FRIENDS CHURCH

Wabash Friends Church, 3563 S State Rd 13. (260) 563-8452. Lead Pastor, Brandon Eaton. Join us for in-person worship at 8:30AM or 10:45AM, or via live-stream on Facebook at 10:45AM. Children's programming available infants - 6th grade. Sunday school for all ages at 9:45AM. Youth (7th-12th) Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 4 miles north of Wabash on St. Rd. 15; phone 260-563-4109; website: bachelorcreek.com; Worship Minister - Michael Eaton, Student Minister - David Diener, Children's Minister - Tyler Leland, Middle School & Small Groups Minister - Nate Plyler, Next Steps & Outreach Minister - Ryan Keim, Women's Director- Taylor McFarland, Early Childhood Director - Janet Legesse. Worship 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

LUTHERAN

Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC), 242 S. Huntington St., Wabash, IN. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 a.m. with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship. Worship Services live streamed on our website. www.LivingFaithWabash.org

Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! tlcwabash@gmail.com.

UNITED METHODIST

North Manchester United Methodist Church, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Steve Bahrt. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

Richvalley United Methodist Church, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Pastor Jack Suits. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all age.

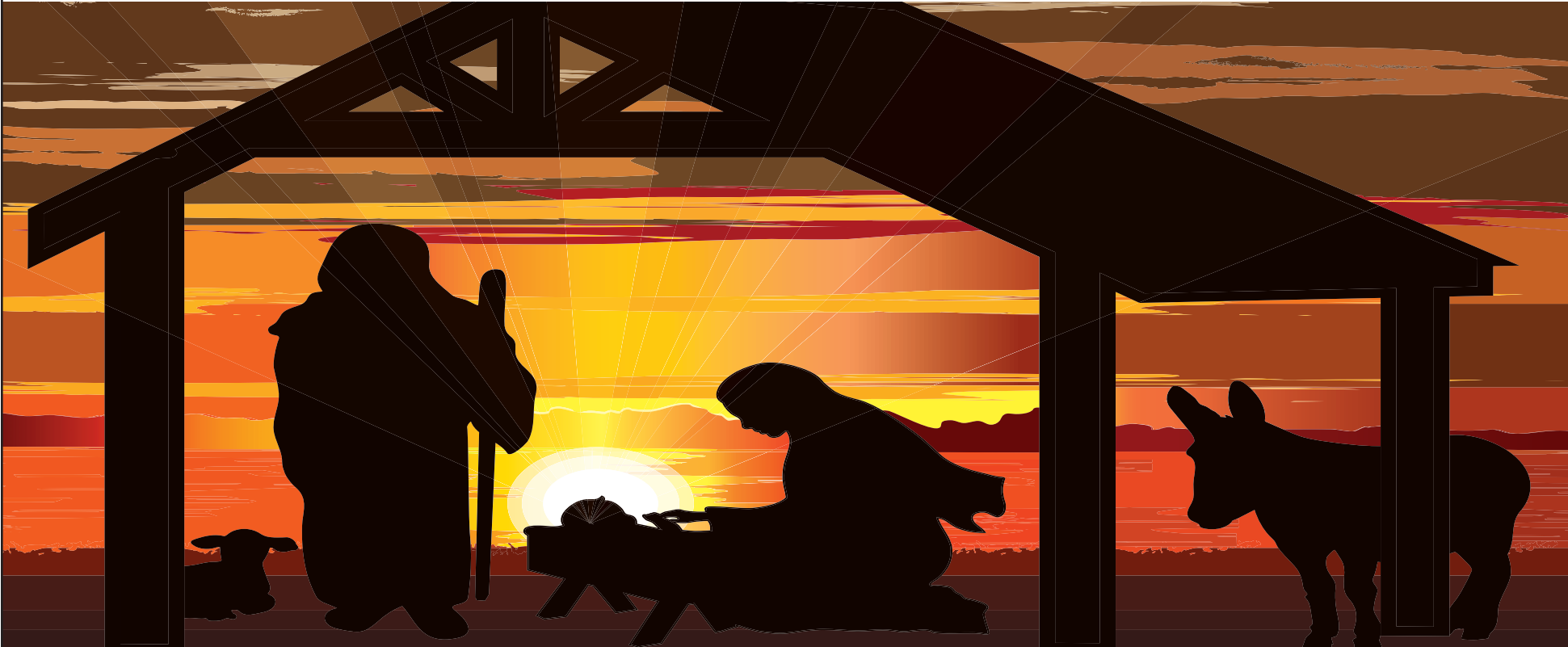
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Daily Bible Reading						
Obadiah 1-21	Nahum 1:1-15	Nahum 2:1-13	Nahum 3:1-19	Habakkuk 1:1-17	Habakkuk 2:1-20	Habakkuk 3:1-19
Scriptures Selected by the American Bible Society X Daily Devotional at DailyBible.AmericanBible.org						
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